Date: 11 July 1570 REF: GD112/39/8/7a Place: Dunkeld From: John Stewart, 4th Earl of Atholl (draft) To: David, 2nd Lord Drummond Address:

To my Lord Drummond

My Lord efter maist hartlie commendatioun. It is nocht vnknawin to zour Lordship the maist wickit and vngodlie procedingis of ye Clane Gregor towartis me and vyeris yir zeris

past. And now laitlie sic hostilite and skayth as yai haif done to my cousing ye Lard of Glenuvrquhay and his pwre ainis oure soverane subjectis. And becauss yair maist resorting ressait and mentenians is in zour Lordshipis boundis and stewartrie be zour men tennentis freindis and dependaris. I haif send yis present desyring zour Lordship maist effecteouslie to tak ordour with ye baronis gentilmen and vtheris zour

Lordshipis

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freindis and assistaris in sic maner yat yai be halding out of yair boundis and nocht mentenit nor ressavit in tyme cuming as yai haif of befor for yat {cloik}<sup>1</sup> quhilk was allegeit befor of my Lord Argyll is now put away {as ye} may persaiff be his diligence in suting of yame be his servandis and freindis. Vthirwayis gif zour Lordship oure lukis and neclectis zour bound dewite {heirinto first} to God ye comone weill of your cuntre and oure soverand service bes[ydes zour lufe

favour to freindis and nychtbouris I feir yat vtheris wickit men yat will {follow} and {persewe} ye

said Clangregour sall vse ewin sic hostilite in ye boundis and rowmis quhar ye saidis rebellis ar ressait and mentenit as yai have done and {intendis to do} in our boundis on our soverand pwir subjectis. And yis I thoucht gud to {mak zour Lordship forsene into}

nocht dowting bot zour Lordship will tak cair heirin and do {according} to zour Lordshipis

awin honour besyid ye respekis afoir wryten. Swa desyring zour Lordshipis ansuer in wryt with ye berrar. Committis your Lordship

to ye protectioune of God. Frome Dunkeld ye xj day of Juli anno {1570}.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Readings from GD50/116/59.